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West State Street reconstruction in Rockford begins March 28

DIXON – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces today that weather permitting, construction work on West State Street (US Business Route 20) in Rockford will begin on Monday, March 28. West State Street from Day Avenue to Independence Avenue will be closed during the project.

The road will be reconstructed from two to four lanes with new storm sewers, signals, sidewalks and a multi-use path. A detour will direct motorists to use Pierpont Avenue, Preston Street and Central Avenue. The \$6.5 million project is anticipated to be completed by the end of September.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. To avoid the work area, when feasible, use of alternate routes should be considered. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices, and be alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,535 miles of highway and 9 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Accomplishments through Year Two included approximately \$5.2 billion of improvements statewide on 3,020 miles of highway and 270 bridges along with 428 additional safety improvements.

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